

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation:** Environmental Science and Protection Technicians, Including Health (19-4091)

**Associated Occupation:** Geological and Petroleum Technicians (19-4041)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
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0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 82

**Focus Occupation:** Environmental Science and Protection Technicians, Including Health (19-4091)

**Associated Occupation:** Geological and Petroleum Technicians (19-4041)

Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Mathematics	9.2	14.8	12.3	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Computers and Electronics	8.4	14.4	13.6	0 Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Engineering and Technology	5.7	12.0	9.7	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Geography	3.9	11.6	9.7	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Physics	4.3	11.2	9.9	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Chemistry	4.8	10.7	13.2	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95

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**Associated Occupation:** Geological and Petroleum Technicians (19-4041)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Science	4.5	9.8	10.3	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Mathematics	6.2	7.8	9.2	> Skill level is likely sufficient
Troubleshooting	4.5	6.1	6.3	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Equipment Selection	3.3	4.7	4.7	0 Current skill level may be sufficient

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 97			
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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Written Comprehension	11.0	13.0	13.9	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Oral Comprehension	12.5	12.6	13.5	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Oral Expression	12.4	12.3	13.2	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Near Vision	11.1	11.1	12.8	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Inductive Reasoning	10.2	10.7	11.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Information Ordering	9.9	10.7	11.1	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Expression	9.8	10.7	12.9	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Deductive Reasoning	10.6	10.4	11.8	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Category Flexibility	9.0	10.3	9.5	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Flexibility of Closure	7.8	9.9	9.3	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Mathematical Reasoning	6.3	8.4	9.1	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Number Facility	6.3	8.4	9.0	0	Current ability level may be sufficient

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 90
Focus Occupation: Environmental Science and Protection Technicians, Including Health (19-4091) Associated Occupation: Geological and Petroleum Technicians (19-4041)		
Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Adhere to safety procedures	12	
Analyze chemical experimental, test, or analysis data or findings	69	
Analyze scientific research data or investigative findings	27	
Calibrate or adjust electronic equipment or instruments to specification	67	
Collect geographic or physical data	81	
Collect samples for testing	58	
Collect scientific or technical data	30	
Collect statistical data	47	
Communicate technical information	4	
Compile numerical or statistical data	38	
Conduct analyses to determine physical properties of materials	80	
Conduct laboratory research or experiments	57	
Conduct standardized qualitative laboratory analyses	62	

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Develop or maintain databases	30
Develop tables depicting data	33
Direct and coordinate activities of workers or staff	3
Explain complex mathematical information	30
Follow safe waste disposal procedures	50
Identify properties of soil or water samples	85
Maintain records, reports, or files	5
Measure, weigh, or count products or materials	17
Operate industrial or nondestructive testing equipment	84
Perform safety inspections in industrial, manufacturing or repair setting	32
Prepare reports	8
Prepare safety reports	60
Prepare sample for laboratory testing, analysis, or microscopy	74
Record test results, test procedures, or inspection data	48
Set up or calibrate laboratory equipment	78
Test materials or solutions	73
Understand properties of gases or liquids	78
Use chemical testing or analysis procedures	54
Use computers to enter, access or retrieve data	3
Use hazardous materials information	35
Use knowledge of materials testing procedures	70
Use knowledge of metric system	39
Use laboratory equipment	60
Use mathematical or statistical methods to identify or analyze problems	30
Use microscope	71
Use physical science research techniques	68
Use precision measuring tools or equipment	17
Use quantitative research methods	35
Use relational database software	26
Use scientific research methodology	21
Use spreadsheet software	18
Use word processing or desktop publishing software	17

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus  
Occupation to Associated  
Occupation: 80

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Business function specific software	1
Cameras	2
Chemical evaluation instruments and supplies	10

Computer data input devices	2
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1
Electrochemical measuring instruments and accessories	9
Gas analyzers and monitors	10
Industry specific software	1
Information exchange software	1
Laboratory pumps and tubing	23
Liquid and solid and elemental analyzers	19
Pipettes and liquid handling equipment and supplies	16
Sampling equipment	12
Soil measuring equipment	20
Spectroscopic equipment	10
Viewing and observing instruments and accessories	4
Water treatment and supply equipment	21

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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